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BEFORE THE
BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSING AND PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIANS
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

DAYANA MARURI POSADA AKA

DAYANA F. MARURI POSADA AKA DAYANA FERNANDA MARURIGUEVARA

3735 S. Morganfield Avenue West Covina, CA 91792

15 Vocational Nurse License No. VN 197396

Respondent.

Case No. VN-2006-1543

ACCUSATION

Complainant alleges:

### PARTIES

Teresa Bello-Jones, J.D., M.S.N., R.N. (Complainant) brings this
 Accusation solely in her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Vocational

22 Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (Board).

2. On or about November 26, 2001, the Board issued Vocational Nurse

24 License Number VN 197396 to Dayana Maruri Posada aka Dayana F. Maruri Posada aka

Dayana Fernanda Maruriguevara (Respondent). The Vocational Nurse License was in full force

and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein. The license expired on December

27 31, 2005, and has not been renewed.

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#### **JURISDICTION**

 This Accusation is brought before the Board, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.

#### STATUTORY PROVISIONS

- 4. Section 2875 of the Business and Professions Code (Code) provides that the Board may discipline the holder of a vocational nurse license for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2875) of the Vocational Nursing Practice Act.
- 5. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated. Under section 2892.1 of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within four years after the expiration.

#### 6. Section 2878 of the Code states:

The Board may suspend or revoke a license issued under this chapter [the Vocational Nursing Practice Act (Bus. & Prof. Code, 2840, et seq.)] for any of the following:

- (a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- (f) Conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensed vocational nurse, in which event the record of the conviction shall be conclusive evidence of the conviction.

#### 7. Section 2878.5 of the Code states:

In addition to other acts constituting unprofessional conduct within the meaning of this chapter [the Vocational Nursing Practice Act] it is unprofessional conduct for a person licensed under this chapter to do any of the following:

(a) Obtain or possess in violation of law, or prescribe, or except as directed by a licensed physician and surgeon, dentist or podiatrist administer to himself or herself or furnish or administer to another, any controlled substance as defined in Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, or any dangerous drug as defined in Section 4022.

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(c) Be convicted of a criminal offense involving possession of any narcotic or dangerous drug, or the prescription, consumption, or self-administration of any of the substances described in subdivisions (a) and (b) of this section, in which event the record of the conviction is conclusive evidence thereof.

### 8. Section 492 of the Code states, in part:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, successful completion of any diversion program under the Penal Code, or successful completion of an alcohol and drug problem assessment program under Article 5 (commencing with Section 23249.50) of Chapter 12 of Division 11 of the Vehicle Code, shall not prohibit any agency established under Division 2 (commencing with Section 500) of this code, or any initiative act referred to in that division, from taking disciplinary action against a licensee or from denying a license for professional misconduct, notwithstanding that evidence of that misconduct may be recorded in a record pertaining to an arrest.

### REGULATORY PROVISION

9. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 2521, states:

For the purposes of denial, suspension, or revocation of a license pursuant to Division 1.5 (commencing with Section 475) of the Business and Professions Code, a crime or act shall be considered to be substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a licensed vocational nurse if to a substantial degree it evidences present or potential unfitness of a licensed vocational nurse to perform the functions authorized by his license in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare. Such crimes or acts shall include but not be limited to those involving the following:

(c) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate any provision or term of Chapter 6.5, Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code.

#### COST RECOVERY

10. Section 125.3 of the Code provides that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

## FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

# (Conviction of Substantially Related Crime)

11. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 2878, subdivision (f), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 2521,

subdivision (c), in that Respondent was convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a licensed vocational nurse. Specifically, on or about June 7, 2007, in a criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Dayana F. Maruri Posada*, in Orange County Superior Court, Case No. 07NF0905, Respondent pled guilty and was convicted of a violation of Penal Code sections 484(a)/488 (theft with prior conviction), a felony. Respondent also plead guilty to a violation of Health and Safety Code section 11377, subdivision (a) (illegal possession of methamphetamine) and was placed on deferred entry of judgment (diversion) and ordered to complete a drug program pursuant to Penal Code section 1000.

- a. The circumstances surrounding the conviction are that on or about January 27, 2007, Respondent stole merchandise from a store in Disneyland Amusement Park in Anaheim, California. Pursuant to a search incident to the arrest, Methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia was found in Respondent's purse.
- b. For the theft conviction, Respondent was sentenced to three years of formal probation, thirty days in county jail, and payment of fines.

# SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

## (Illegal Drug Possession)

12. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 2878.5, subdivision (b), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent illegally possessed Methamphetamine, a controlled substance, as set forth in paragraph 11, above.

# THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

# (Unprofessional Conduct)

13. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 2878, subdivision (a), in that Respondent committed acts of unprofessional conduct, as described in paragraphs 11 and 12, above.

## DISCIPLINE CONSIDERATIONS

14. To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Respondent, Complainant alleges, as follows:

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